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FOLLOWING SENT SECSTATE WASHDC FROM AMEMBASSY BERN 09 SEP 74:

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L BERN 3372

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, CU, SZ
SUBJECT: VISIT OF CUBAN FOREIGN MINISTER TO SWITZERLAND

1. FOREIGN MINISTER ROA WAS IN SWITZERLAND AUG 27-30. ACCORDING TO FEDERAL POLITICAL DEPARTMENT HIS ONLY CONTACT WAS AT LUNCHEON GIVEN AUG 30 BY FEDERAL COUNCILOR GRABER. FPD OFFICIAL WHO PARTICIPATED IN LUNCHEON SAID IT WAS SOCIAL OCCASION INCLUDING WIVES AND THAT NO REAL SUBSTANCE WAS DISCUSSED. HE SAID VISIT COULD HONESTLY BE DESCRIBED AS "COURTESY VISIT." ONLY CHANCE FOR SUBSTANTIVE CONVERSATION CAME OVER COFFEE AND CIGARS. NEITHER SIDE RAISED SUBJECT US-CUBAN RELATIONS OR SWISS REPRESENTATION U.S. INTERESTS. ROA WHO HAD JUST BEEN IN BULGARIA SEEMED FILLED WITH PARALLELS BETWEEN CYPRUS AND CUBA BUT SWISS COULD NOT UNDERSTAND WHAT HE WAS TRYING TO GET AT.

2. COMMENT: ON SEPT 6 EMBASSY RECEIVED CALLS FROM UPI, CBS, AND TIME MAGAZINE INDICATING THEY HAD HEARD EMBASSY CONFIDENTIAL

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HAD HAD CONTACTS WITH ROA WHILE HE WAS HERE. WE DENIED

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